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HR70-14

Deputies Meeting

Tuesday, 1 July 1952

PRESENT: General Smith, Messrs. Wisner, Becker, Hedden, Col. White, Earman

General Smith:

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a. Referred to the item in today's Log regarding [] and asked DD/P for a further report. Mr. Wisner stated he did not yet have the full facts on this case; however, it appeared from the surface that the non-Nationalists were complaining about being subservient [] and this had also happened in other places.

Mr. Wisner:

a. Noted the item in today's Log concerning U.S. Pilots for [] and reported the action we had taken on this matter.

c. Noted that an officer of WH had left a classified document in a State Department washroom and this matter was under investigation by Col. Edward's people.

d. Reported that he and Mr. Hedden had discussed the [] case with Messrs. Humelsine and Tate at some length yesterday afternoon and as of that time it appeared that Humelsine would probably recommend to Mr. Bruce that State make a deal with the McCarran Committee; however, he had received a call from Chip Bohlen this morning which indicated that there was now a possibility that State would not approach the McCarran Committee in this regard. The Director stated that (1) we would not urge State to approach the Committee; (2) we had gone about as far as we could on this matter; (3) he assumed that in our discussions with Messrs. Humelsine and Tate we had laid the cold facts before them. Mr. Wisner stated that this had been done.

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Colonel White:

a. Noted that Messrs. Saunders and Pforzheimer were seeing Congressman Mahon in regard to our budget at 12:45 today.

Mr. Hedden:

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a. Noted that he had talked with Mr. Dulles by telephone yesterday concerning the Lattimore case and it was Mr. Dulles' understanding in his conversation with Assistant Attorney General McInerney that we were being asked to cooperate in order that [] would be brought personally before the Grand Jury for possible indictment and he (Mr. Dulles) could not understand why [] did not appear. In this connection, Mr. Hedden noted that it would appear that possibly our jurisdiction was being tried rather than [] and asked the Director for permission to approach the Attorney General with a request that we be allowed to read the minutes of the hearing. DCI approved and asked Mr. Hedden to find out all that he could. The Director also asked how the Department of Justice had learned the name of [] in the first place. Mr. Becker explained that []

b. Noted the item in the CIB concerning the Danish tanker. The Director stated that a report on this was being prepared and would have to be ready by Wednesday even if it was necessary to "work night and day." Mr. Becker noted that the report in question would be completed by 2 July.

Mr. Becker:

a. Raised the question of the LOOK article and noted he had discussed this with Mr. Hedden. The Director stated that all he desired was the article together with the comments of those concerned and he would make his decision whether it would be changed or approved as written.

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